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TO AMEMBASSY KUWAIT PRIORITY

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SUBJECT: KUWAITI GOVERNMENT CANDIDATE FOR BLS SEMINAR

1. BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS (BLS) OF LABOR DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED COMMERCIAL CABLE FROM OTHMAN, RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE OF UNDP IN KUWAIT, ADVISING THAT GOK HAS NOMINATED ALI ZAMOON MOHAMMAD ZAMOON, ADMINISTRATIVE RESEARCHER IN MANPOWER PLANNING DIVISION OF PLANING MINISTRY, TO PARTICI- PATE IN MAY 8-JUNE 30 BLS SEMINAR IN WASHINGTON ON ANALYSIS OF LABOR STATISTICS FOR POLICY FORMULATION IN HUMAN RESOURCES SECTOR. CABLE STATES THAT ZAMOON WOULD PARTICIPATE AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE AND THAT HE IS READY TO REPORT IN WASHINGTON ON MAY 3. CABLE REQUESTS INFORMATION REGARDING FORMALITIES TO BE UNDERTAKEN BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE TO ENABLE GOK TO MAKE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS.

2. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO INFORM OTHMAN THAT BLS ACCEPTS ZAMOON AND HAS RESERVED PLACE FOR HIM IN SEMINAR.

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ACCEPTANCE IS BASED ON ASSUMPTION THAT ZAMOON HAS SUFFICIENT COMMAND OF ENGLISH TO PARTICIPATE IN SEMINAR (ARABIC INTERPRETATION IS NOT PROVIDED). ZAMOON SHOULD PLAN TO ARRIVE IN WASHINGTON NOT LATER THAN MAY 5. HE SHOULD THEREAFTER REPORT TO BLS (DEWITT BURKE OR HARRIET FREEDMAN) AT ROOM S4015, NEW DEPARTMENT OF LABOR BUILDING, 200

CONSTITUTION AVENUE, N.W. (TEL: 523-9231). (IF EMBASSY CAN PROVIDE ARRIVAL DATA BY MAY 1, BLS WOULD ENDEAVOR TO HAVE ZAMOON MET AT AIRPORT AND GIVEN HOTEL AND OTHER INFORMATION).

3. DIRECT SEMINAR COSTS, TO BE PAID TO BLS, WOULD TOTAL DOLS 2945 (TUITION - DOLS 2430; BOOKS AND POSTAGE - DOLS 65; TRAVEL WITHIN U.S. - DOLS 350; AND MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY, IF DESIRED - DOLS 100). PARTICIPANT MAY BRING CHECK, ARRANGE PAYMENT THROUGH EMBASSY KUWAIT OR THROUGH KUWAITI EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON. IN ADDITION, PARTICIPANT SHOULD BRING SUFFICIENT FUNDS TO COVER HIS PER DIEM EXPENSES (BLS SUGGESTS DOLS 35 TO DOLS 40 PER DAY; GOK AGENCIES HOWEVER MAY HAVE HIGHER PER DIEM RATES FOR OFFICIALS SOJOURNING IN WASHINGTON).

4. ZAMOON SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED TO BRING DESCRIPTIVE MATERIALS AND EXAMPLES OF STATISTICAL DATA ON KUWAIT WITH HIM FOR EVENTUAL USE IN INDIVIDUAL RESEARCH PROJECTS DURING SEMINAR. VANCE

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